

a tool carrier having a surface on which said tool is mounted and adjustable vertically on said base to position the tool vertically with respect to the flooring strips;

a spacer on the base to position the tool laterally with respect to the flooring and strips; and

a safety actuator on said tool with an end engageable with the upper surface of the tongue of a strip of tongue and groove flooring.

REMARKS

Claim 1 is at issue. A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith.

Claim 12 which was objected to by the examiner has been rewritten in independent form as claim 22. Allowance is believed in order.

The formal drawings are submitted herewith. Approval is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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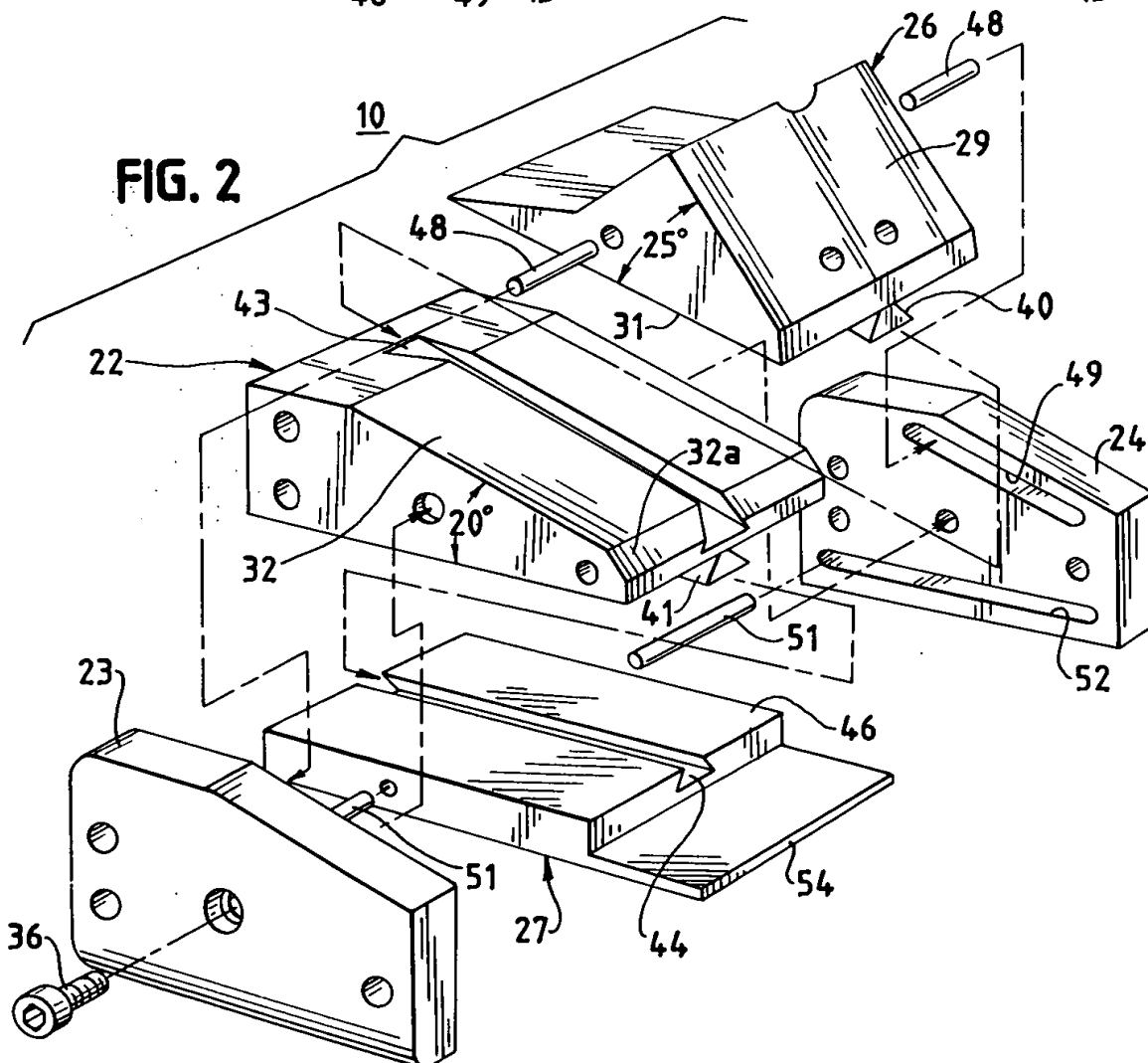
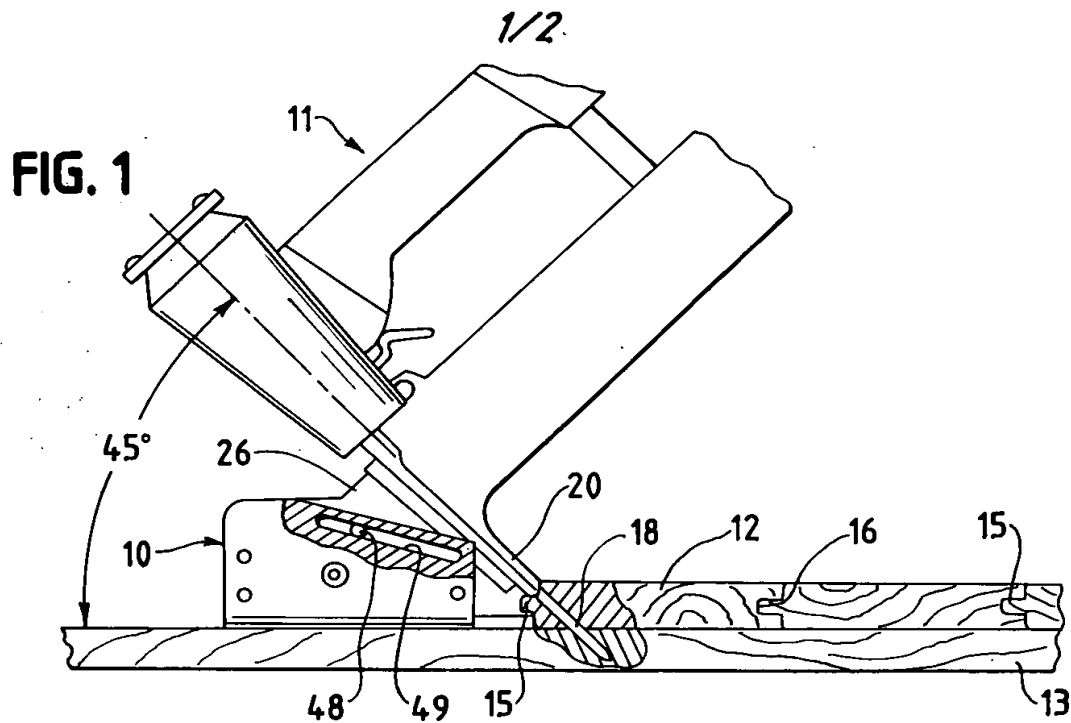




FIG. 3

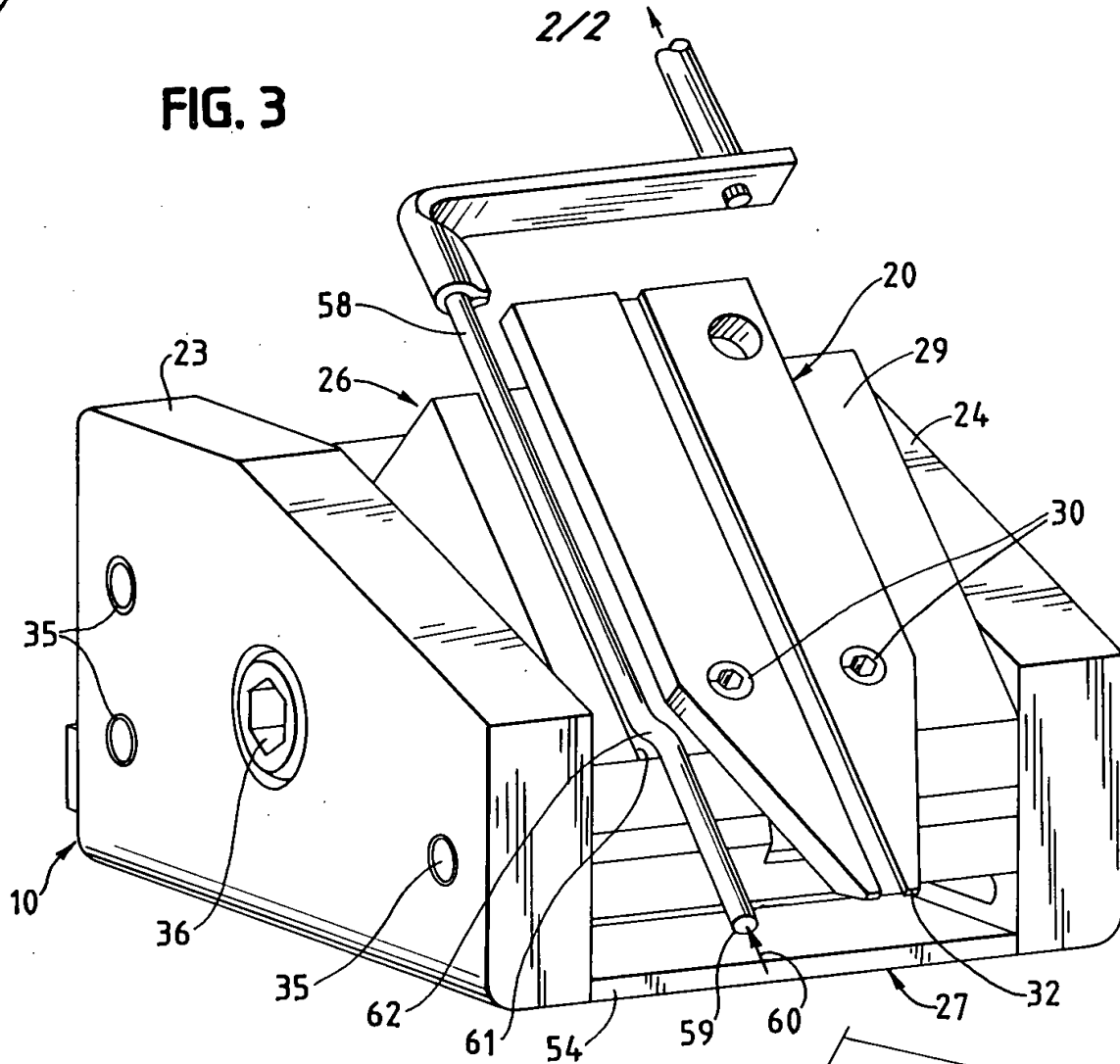


FIG. 4

